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FOLLOWING REPEAT BUENOS AIRES 6017 ACTION SECSTATE DTD 15 SEP 76.

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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY SHLAUDEMANN FROM AMBASSADOR HILL

E.O. 11652: XGDS-2

TAGS: PFOR, EAID, SHUM, IDB, PORO, US, AR

SUBJECT: HARKIN AMENDMENT

REF: STATE 227379

1. I HAVE ASKED FOR AN APPOINTMENT WITH PRESIDENT VIDELA, AND
WILL CARRY OUT THE INSTRUCTIONS FORWARDED IN REFTEL. HOWEVER,
AS DURING MY RECENT CONSULTATIONS IN WASHINGTON I HAD BEEN
VERY IMPRESSED BY THE CONCERN SHOWN IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE
OVER HUMAN RIGHTS IN ARGENTINA (AS INDEED WE HERE IN BUENOS
AIRES ARE CONCERNED), I WAS SOMEWHAT DISAPPOINTED TO NOTE FROM
REFTEL THAT APPARENTLY MY PRESENTATION RESULTED ONLY IN A
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REAFFIRMATION OF AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE ON THE IDB LOAN. I

STILL THINK THIS IS A MISTAKE AND COULD RESULT IN MISINTER-
PRETATIONS HERE CONCERNING THE SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH THE USG
VIEWS THIS PROBLEM.

2. AS YOU KNOW, AMBASSADOR MUSICH RETURNED TO BUENOS AIRES
SEPTEMBER 13. HE CALLED ON ME THIS AFTERNOON AND TOLD
ME HE HAD RETURNED ON URGENT BASIS BECAUSE HE BELIEVED
US WAS GOING TO VOTE AGAINST ARGENTINA IN IDB, AND THAT
HE HAD OBLIGATION (A) TO WARN HIS GOVERNMENT, AND (B)
TO MAKE PERSONAL EFFORT TO EXPLAIN USG'S CONCERN OVER
HUMAN RIGHTS TO SENIOR OFFICIALS IN GOA--SOMETHING HE FELT
HE HAD BEEN UNABLE TO DO BY CABLE.

3. MUSICH SAID HE HAD JUST SPENT 1 1/2 HOURS WITH PRESIDENT
VIDELA AND HAD LEFT MEETING CONVINCED VIDELA UNDERSTANDS
US POSITION AND IS MOVING TO BRING HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION
UNDER CONTROL. MUSICH PRONOUNCED HIMSELF ENCOURAGED.

4. DID MY MEMO OF SEPT 3 TO YOU RECOMMENDING A NEGATIVE
VOTE IN IDB GO FORWARD TO SECRETARY?

5. AS A RESULT OF REFTTEL AND SOME NEW INDICATORS THAT
ARGENTINA MAY BE GETTING MESSAGE, I BELIEVE IT IS UNNECESSARY
FOR GENERAL WALTERS TO COME AT THIS TIME.
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